



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
- EXPEDITED PROCEDURE -  
EXAMINING GROUP ART UNIT 3731**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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SERIAL NO.: 10/757,009 GROUP: Art Unit 3731  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 28, 2005, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

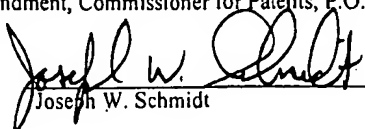
**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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